

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE S.SIRI JAGAN

WEDNESDAY, THE 11TH JULY 2007 / 20TH ASHADHA 1929

WP(C).No. 21245 of 2007(D)

PETITIONER:

BALASANKAR, AGED 57 YEARS,
S/O.PRABHAKARAN NAIR, RESIDING AT MANNATHA
CGS NAGAR, PAPPANAMCODE, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

BY ADV. SRI.T.A.UNNIKRISHNAN
SRI.K.SATHEESH KUMAR

RESPONDENTS:

THE PASSPORT OFFICER,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

BY SRI. PARAMESWARAN NAIR, ASST. SOLICITOR GENERAL

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION
ON 11/07/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE
FOLLOWING:

S. SIRI JAGAN, J.

W.P.(C)NO.21245 OF 2007

DATED THIS THE 11th DAY OF JULY, 2007

JUDGMENT

The petitioner is holder of Indian Passport No.C-897457. In the same there is a mistake in the spelling of his name. Instead of Balasankar his name is spelt as Balashanker. Since the petitioner's name entered in the S.S.L.C. Book, does not tally with the name in the Passport. He wants the Passport corrected. Accordingly, when he approached the 1st respondent for the same, the 1st respondent insisted on a Court order. The petitioner, therefore, approached the Judicial I Class Magistrate, Thiruvananthapuram with Ext.P1 application for the purpose. However, the learned Magistrate is not entertaining the same since there is no provision or circular enabling the Magistrate to deal with such petitions. This Court has been passing orders directing the jurisdictional Magistrate to deal with such petitions since the procedure framed by the Passport Authorities insisted on such procedure. Accordingly, I direct the Judicial I Class Magistrate, Thiruvananthapuram to consider Ext.P1 and pass appropriate orders

to correct the name of the petitioner.

The writ petition is disposed of as above.

S. SIRI JAGAN, JUDGE

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